

# What I learned from LuaJIT

Excelsior JET

V8

Dart VM

LuaJIT

# torch

«A SCIENTIFIC COMPUTING FRAMEWORK FOR LUAJIT»

~~deep internal insight~~  
overview of interesting things

```
local p = { x = 1, y = 1 }  
for i = 1, 100 do  
    p = { x = p.x + i,  
          y = p.y - i }  
end
```

# whirlwind introduction to Lua

```
-- dynamically typed  
local v  
v = 1  
v = "string"  
v = true  
v = { } -- table  
v = function () end
```

```
-- tables are key-value dictionaries
-- key is any type
local p = {
    x = 1,
    y = 1,
}
```

```
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```

```
local p = {  
    ['x'] = 1,  
    ['y'] = 1,  
    [222] = 1,  
    [{ }] = 1  
}
```

```
-- single numeric type:  
-- double precision floating point  
type(1)      -- 'number'  
type(1.0)    -- 'number'  
type(1.1)    -- 'number'
```

```
-- metatables alter behavior of tables
local tbl = {}
setmetatable(tbl, {
  __index = function (self, key)
    print('index', key)
    return 0
  end,
  __newindex = function (self, key, val)
    print('newindex', key, val)
  end
})
```

```
-- metatables alter behavior of tables
print(tbl['somekey'])
-- index somekey
-- 0
tbl[42] = 'somevalue';
-- newindex 42 somevalue
```

```
local tbl = {}  
setmetatable(tbl, {  
  __index = { x = 42 }  
})  
print(tbl.x) -- 42
```

```
-- metatables alter behavior of tables
setmetatable(tbl, {
  -- will be called when evaluating
  -- + expression with tbl
  __add = function ()
    ...
  end
})
```

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local p = { x = 1, y = 1 }  
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end
```

->LOOP:

```
xorps xmm5, xmm5  
cvtsi2sd xmm5, ebp  
addsd xmm6, xmm5  
subsd xmm7, xmm5  
add ebp, +0x01  
cmp ebp, +0x64  
jle ->LOOP  
jmp ->4
```

« how does it  
do it? »

learning by reading sources

```
local p = { x = 1, y = 1, [1] = 1 }  
for i = 1, 100 do  
  p = { x = p.x + i,  
        y = p.y - i,  
        [1] = p[1] }  
end
```

```

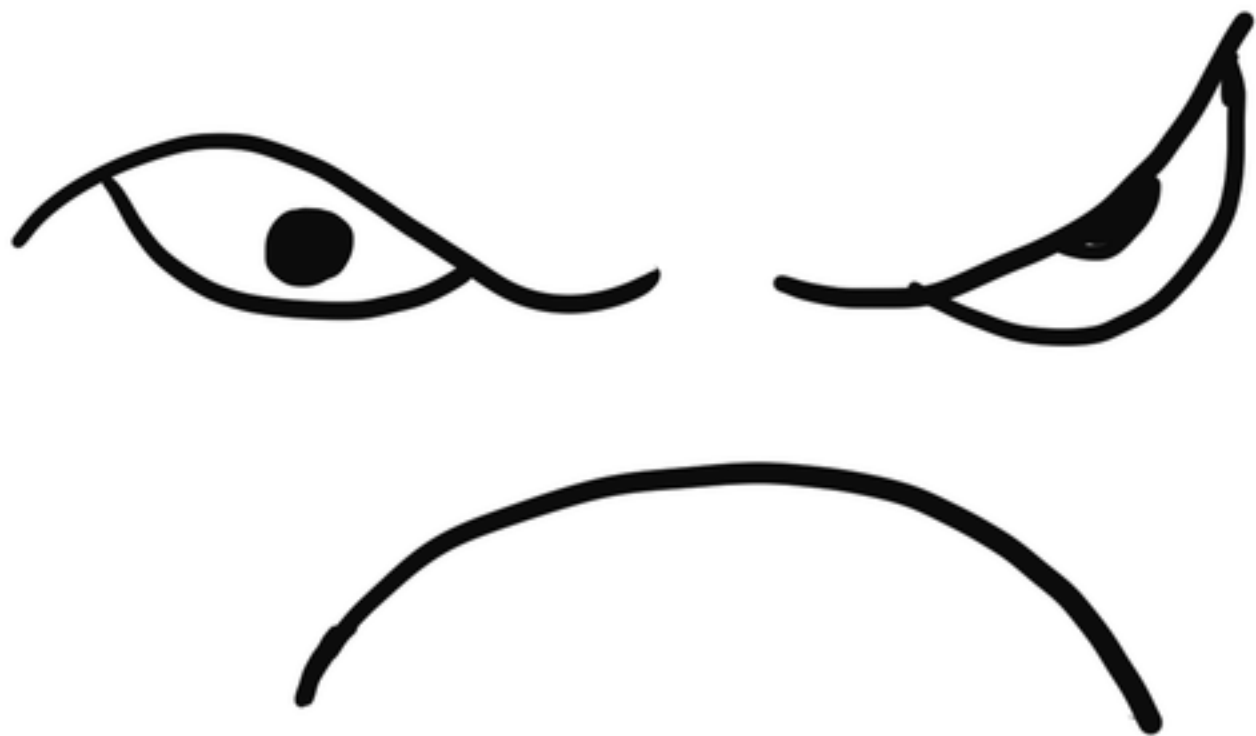
->LOOP:
movsd [rsp+0x28], xmm6
movsd [rsp+0x30], xmm7
mov [rsp+0x24], eax
mov edi, [0x000423d8]
cmp edi, [0x000423dc]
jb skip
mov esi, 0x1
mov edi, 0x000423b8
call ->lj_gc_step_jit
test eax, eax
jnz ->4
skip:
mov edi, [0x000424b0]
mov esi, 0x00052948
call ->lj_tab_dup
mov esi, eax
mov [rsp+0x20], esi
mov edi, [0x000424b0]
mov eax, [rsp+0x24]
movsd xmm7, [rsp+0x30]
movsd xmm5, [rsp+0x28]
cmp dword [rax+0x1c], +0x01
jnz ->4
mov r15d, [rax+0x14]
mov rbx, 0xffffffffb00053e50
cmp rbx, [r15+0x20]
jnz ->4

```

```

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cvtsi2sd xmm6, ebp
addsd xmm5, xmm6
movsd [rsp+0x10], xmm5
mov ebx, [rsi+0x14]
movsd [rbx+0x18], xmm5
mov rdx, 0xffffffffb0004a188
cmp rdx, [r15+0x8]
jnz ->5
subsd xmm7, xmm6
movsd [rsp+0x18], xmm7
movsd [rbx], xmm7
cmp dword [rax+0x18], +0x01
jbe ->6
mov ebx, [rax+0x8]
cmp dword [rbx+0xc], 0xfffeffff
jnb ->6
movsd xmm5, [rbx+0x8]
movsd [rsp+0x8], xmm5
mov edx, 0x000535d8
call ->lj_tab_newkey
mov ebx, eax
mov eax, [rsp+0x20]
movsd xmm7, [rsp+0x18]
movsd xmm6, [rsp+0x10]
movsd xmm5, [rsp+0x8]
movsd [rbx], xmm5
add ebp, +0x01
cmp ebp, +0x64
jle ->LOOP
jmp ->7

```



« why does it  
**not** do it? »

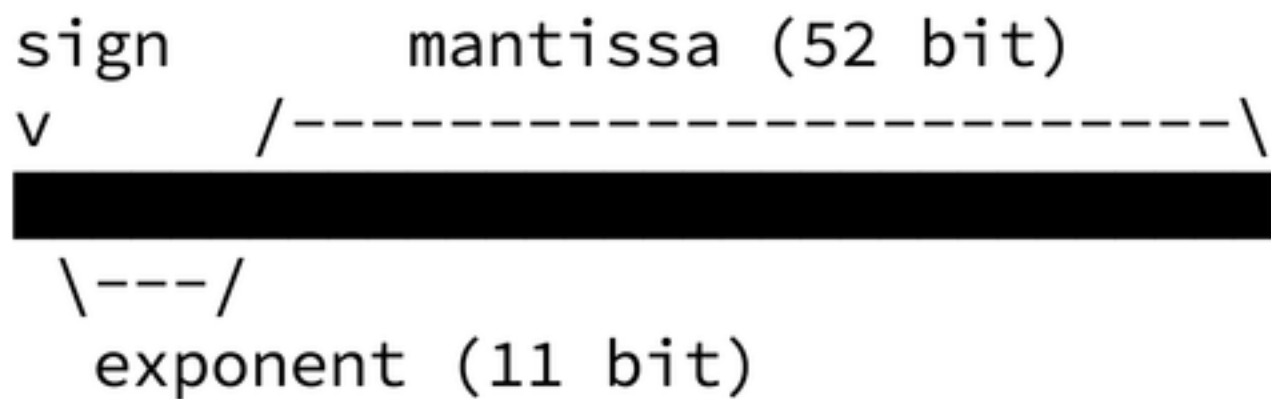
learning by fixing bugs

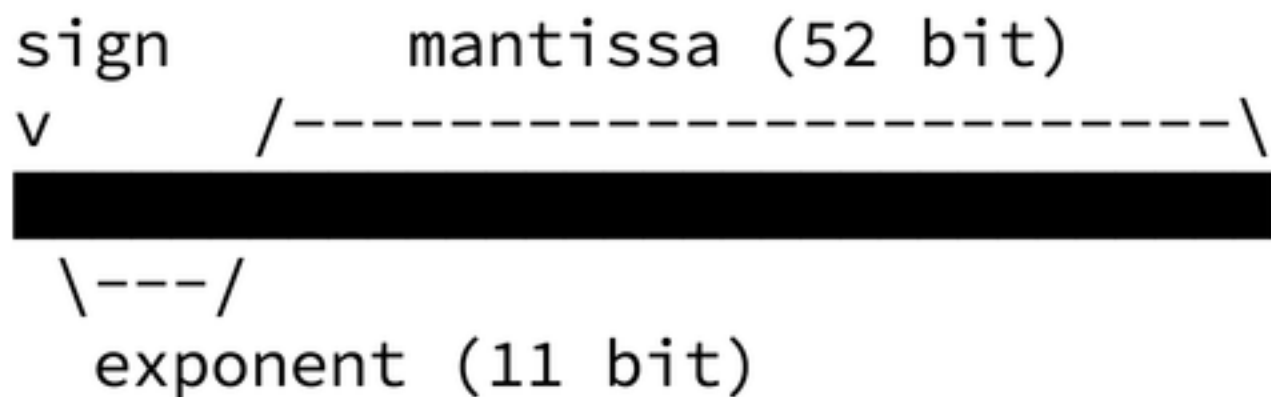
# 1GB memory limit

(pre v2.1)

Lua is dynamically  
typed

# NaN-tagging





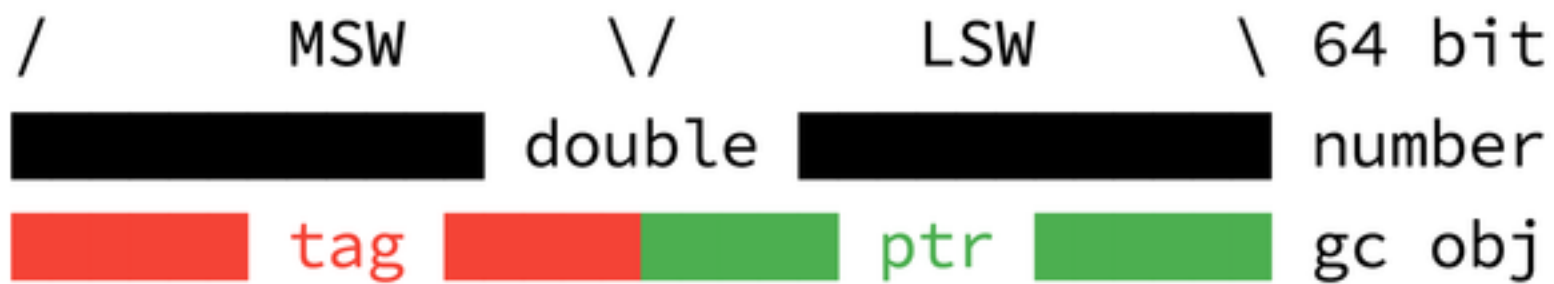
NaN:  $E = 7ff$  &  $M \neq 0$



NaN:  $E = 7ff$  &  $M \neq 0$  (whole family of NaNs)

# TValue

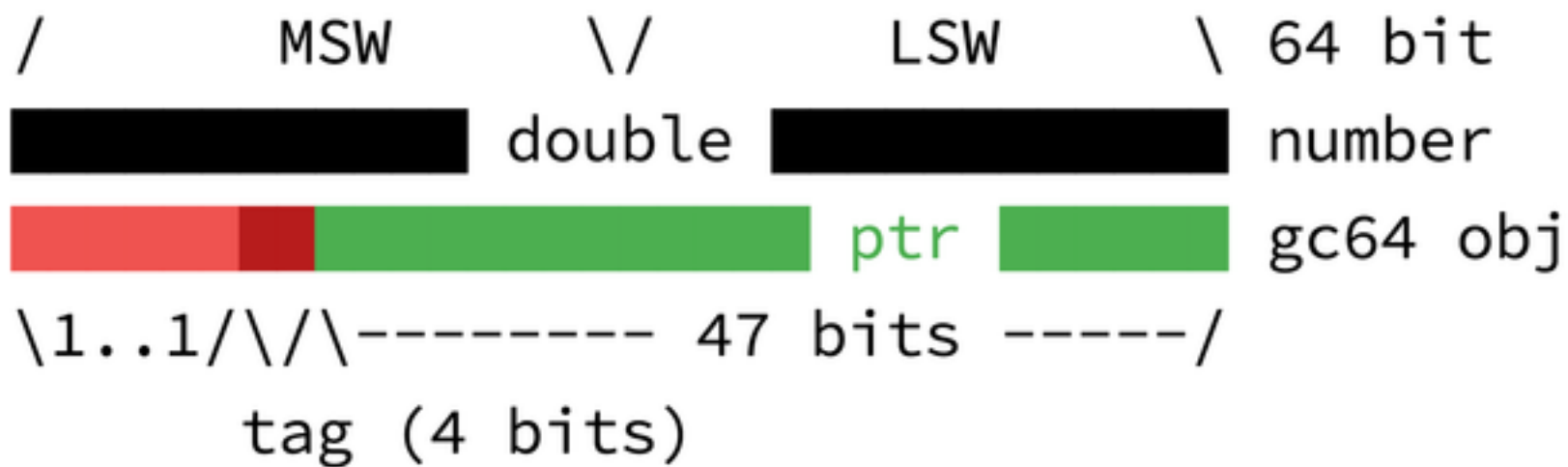
dynamically typed slot





**number** tag < fffff0000

**table** tag = ffffffff4 = ~11u



# kinda works

AArch64: 52-bit VA

changing tagging  
tough exercise

```

...
// Macros to test operand types.
.macro checktp, reg, tp
    cmp dword [BASE+reg*8+4], tp
.endmacro
.macro checktab, reg, target
    checktp reg, LJ_TTAB
    jne target
.endmacro

...
case BC_TGETB:
    | ins_ABC // RA = dst, RB = table, RC = byte literal
    | checktab RB, ->vmeta_tgetb
    | mov TAB:RB, [BASE+RB*8]
...

```

# DynASM

generates code that  
generates code

case BC\_TGETB:

```
    // | ins_ABC // RA = dst, RB = table, RC = byte literal  
    // | checktab RB, ->vmeta_tgetb  
    // | mov TAB:RB, [BASE+RB*8]
```

...

```
    dasm_put(Dst, 10994, LJ_TTAB, Dt6(->asize), Dt6(->array), LJ_TNIL,
```

```
// Type definitions. Some of these are only used for documentation.
.type L,    lua_State
.type GL,   global_State
...
    mov GL:RB, L:RB->glref
    mov dword GL:RB->vmstate, ~LJ_VMST_C
```

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.type GL,   global_State
...
|  mov GL:RB, [RB, #offsetof(lua_State, glref)]
|  mov dword GL:RB->vmstate, ~LJ_VMST_C
```

no actual understanding of types

```
|  cmp dword L:RB->openupval, 0
```

```
|  cmp  dword  L:RB->openupval, 0  
      ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^ pointer
```

```
|  cmp  aword  L:RB->openupval, 0
```

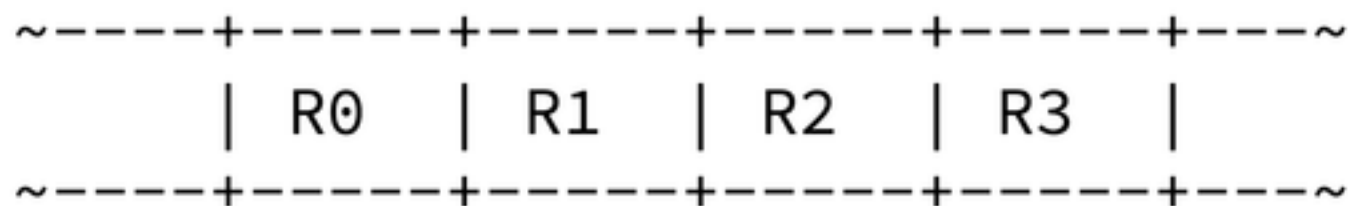
what is interpreter  
interpreting?

```

/----- 32 bits -----\
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| OP  |      |      |      |      | Format ABC
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| OP  |      |      |      |      | Format AD
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
0.....32

```

BASE



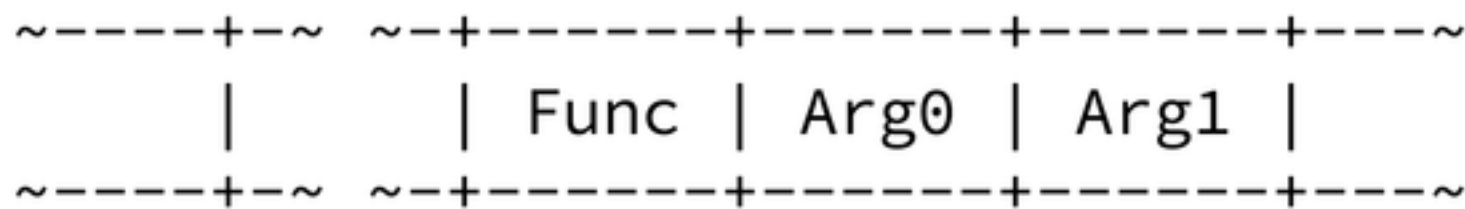
↑↑↑↑↑

TValue (64bit)

CALL A, ResN, ArgN

```
                F <- R(A);  
R(A), ..., R(A+ResN-2) <- F(R(A+1), ..., R(A+ArgN-1)), if ResN != 0  
R(A), ...           <- F(R(A+1), ..., R(A+ArgN-1)), if ResN == 0
```

BASE

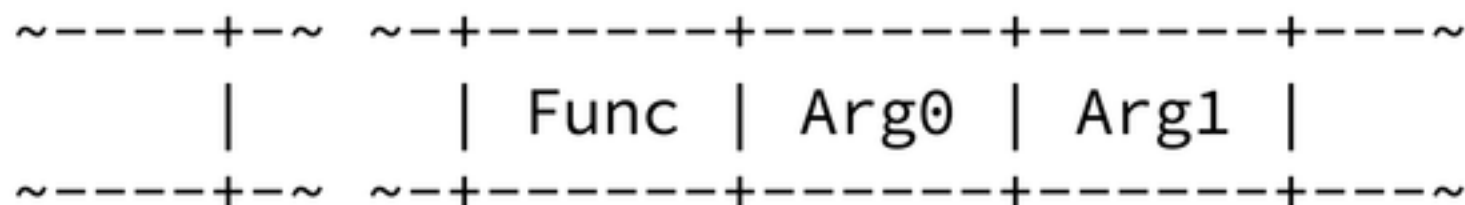


R(A)

BASE



BASE



R(0)

# frame linking

BASE



BASE



~-----+~ ~-+-----+-----+-----+-----~  
| | Func | Arg0 | Arg1 |  
~-----+~ ~-+-----+-----+-----+-----~

/ \  
 / \  
[ tag | ptr ]

BASE



BASE



~---+~ ~-+---+---+---+---~  
| | Func | Arg0 | Arg1 |  
~---+~ ~-+---+---+---+---~

/ \  
/ \  
[ link | ptr ]

link |

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PC	00		Lua frame
delta	001		C frame
delta	010		Continuation frame
delta	011		Lua vararg frame
delta	101		cpcall() frame
.... etc ...			

PC is 4 byte aligned

delta is 8 byte aligned

link |

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**PC 00 | Lua frame**

delta 001 | C frame

delta 010 | Continuation frame

delta 011 | Lua vararg frame

delta 101 | cpcall() frame

.... etc ...

PC is 4 byte aligned

delta is 8 byte aligned

when unwinding look at PC-1 to determine  
caller's BASE

CALL A, ... => CallerBASE = BASE - A

link |

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delta 101 | cpcall() frame

.... etc ...

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*continuations* allow to specify action to perform when callee returns

*;; jump to target if  $R(A) == R(D)$*   
**ISEQV** A, D  
**JUMP** target

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*;; what if  $R(A)$  has `__eq` metamethod?*

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*;; need to call metamethod*

*;; ... then branch on return*

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**JUMP** target

*;; what if  $R(A)$  has `__eq` metamethod?*

*;; need to call metamethod*

*;; ... then branch on return*

interpreter

```
+-----+  
|      ...      |  
| PC → ISEQV A, D |  
|      JUMP target |  
|      ...      |  
+-----+
```

interpreter

```
+-----+
| +-----+
| | nested interpreter |
| | for the metamethod |
| |                     |
+-+ |                     |
    +-----+
```

interpreter

```
+-----+  
|      ...      |  
| PC → ISEQV A, D |  
|      JUMP target |  
|      ...      |  
+-----+
```

branch on the result from  
the nested interpreter

continuations make it  
simpler

↓

```
/-- frame -->
```

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```
\-----/ continuation callback
current frame    (e.g. cont_condt)
```

let's talk about  
DISPATCH

| `jmp aword [DISPATCH+OP*4]`

```
| jmp aword [DISPATCH+OP*4]  
      ↑  
      can replace handlers
```

- hooks (~ debugging)
- profiling
- recording

*;; hotcounting*  
*;; loop bytecodes*

**FORL**

**ITERL**

**LOOP**

*;; function entries*

**FUNCF**

```
| .macro hotloop, reg  
|     mov reg, PC  
|     shr reg, 1  
|     and reg, HOTCOUNT_PCMASK  
|     sub word [DISPATCH+reg+GG_DISP2HOT],  
|             HOTCOUNT_LOOP  
|     jb ->vm_hotloop  
| .endmacro
```

```
hotcount[(PC>>2) & (HOTCOUNT_SIZE-1)]
```

```
#define HOTCOUNT_SIZE    64
```

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/* can cause non-determinism */
```

recording pipeline

# tracing 101



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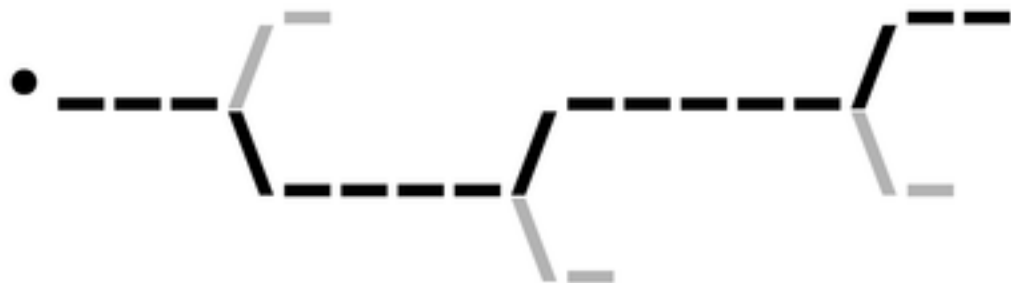


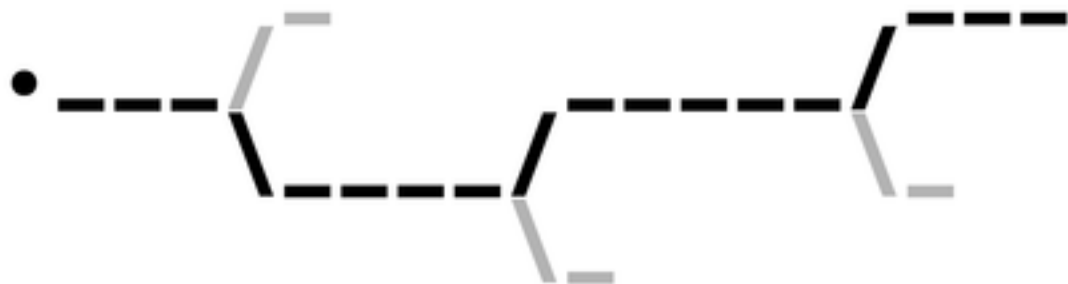


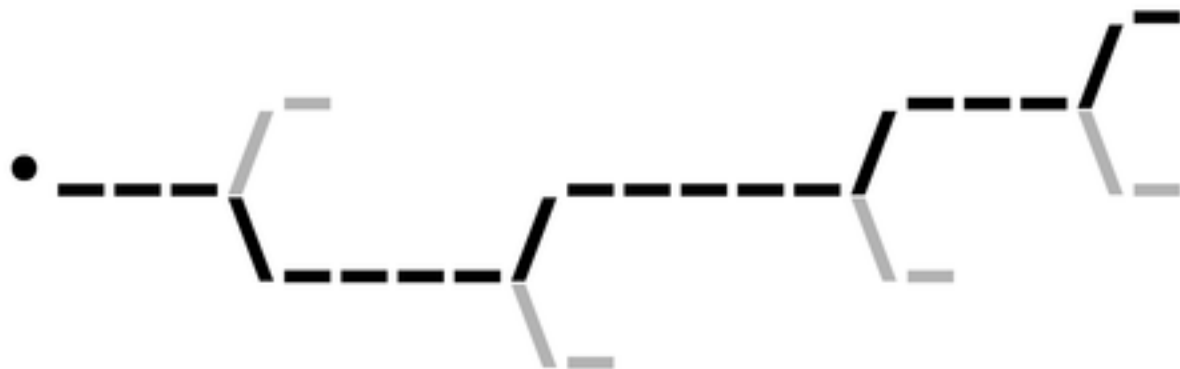




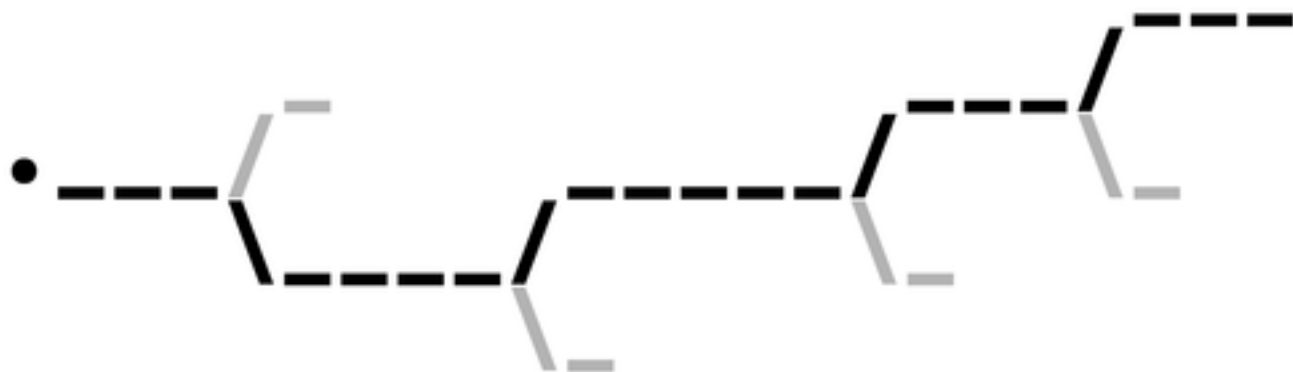


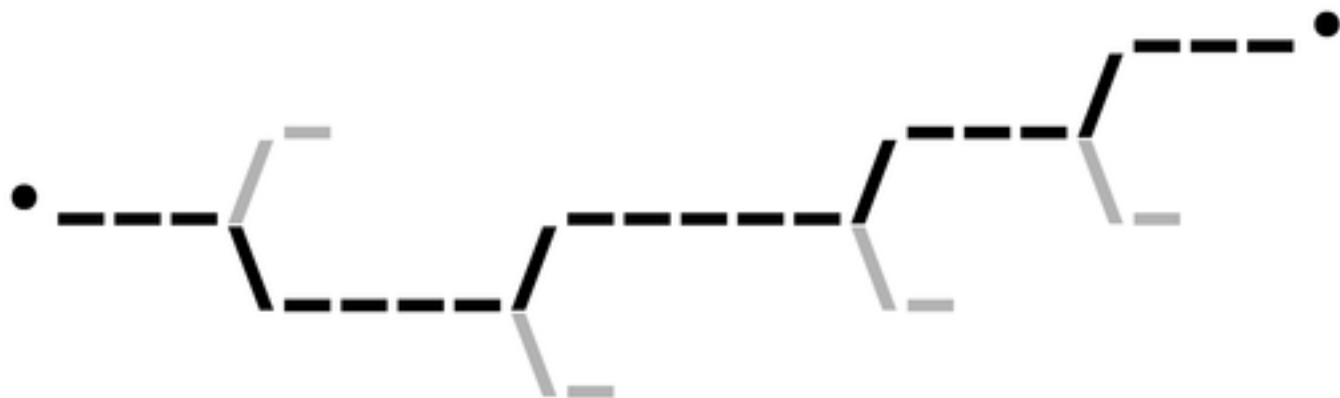




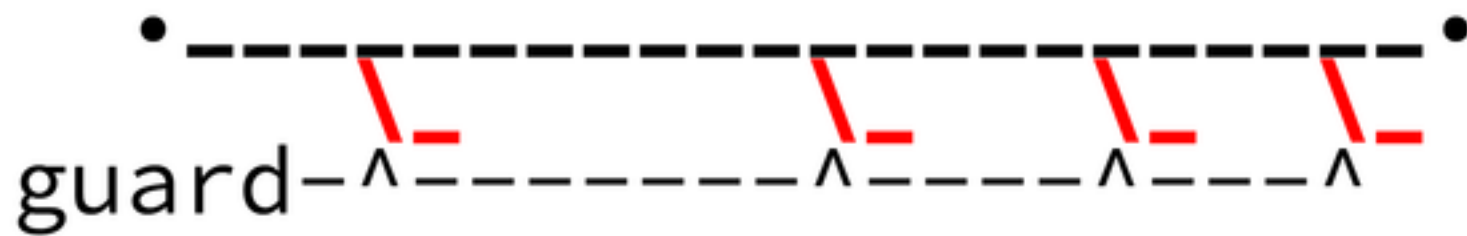












hot side exits spawn side traces



back to recording



concrete values		SSA refs	
INTERPRETER		RECORDER	
+-----v-----+		+-----v-----+	
~-+---+---+---+---+~		~-+---+---+---+---+~	
num num		001 002	
~-+---+---+---+---+~		~-+---+---+---+---+~	
...		...	
> <b>ADDVV</b> r0, r0, r1		SSA IR	
...		...	
+-----+		+-----+	

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INTERPRETER		RECORDER	
+-----v-----+		+-----v-----+	
~-+---+---+---+~		~-+---+---+---+~	
num   num		003   002	
~-+---+---+---+~		~-+---+---+---+~	
<b>ADDVV</b> r0, r0, r1		003: ADD 001, 002	
> <b>SUBVN</b> r1, r1, +1	=====	> SSA IR	
...		...	
+-----+		+-----+	

		concrete values			SSA refs
INTERPRETER			RECORDER		
+-----v-----+			+-----v-----+		
	~+--+--+--+--+~			~+--+--+--+--+~	
	num   num			003   004	
	~+--+--+--+--+~			~+--+--+--+--+~	
	SUBVN r1, r1, +1			004: SUB 002, +1	
> ...		=====	> SSA IR		
	...			...	
+-----+			+-----+		

IR

```
/* Trace object. */  
typedef struct GCtrace {  
    /* IR instructions/constants.  
    ** Biased with REF_BIAS.  
    */  
    IRIns *ir;  
  
} GCtrace;
```

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```
typedef uint16_t IRRef1;

/* Fixed references. */
enum {
    REF_TRUE = REF_BIAS-3,
    REF_FALSE = REF_BIAS-2,
    REF_NIL = REF_BIAS-1,
    /* \--- Constants grow downwards. */
    REF_BIAS = 0x8000,
    /* /--- IR grows upwards. */
    REF_FIRST = REF_BIAS+1,
    REF_DROP = 0xffff
};
```

```

      <-- constants --\ /-- non-constants -->
~---+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----~
  |false|true |nil  |      |      |      |
~---+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----~
                                ^ &ir[REF_BIAS]

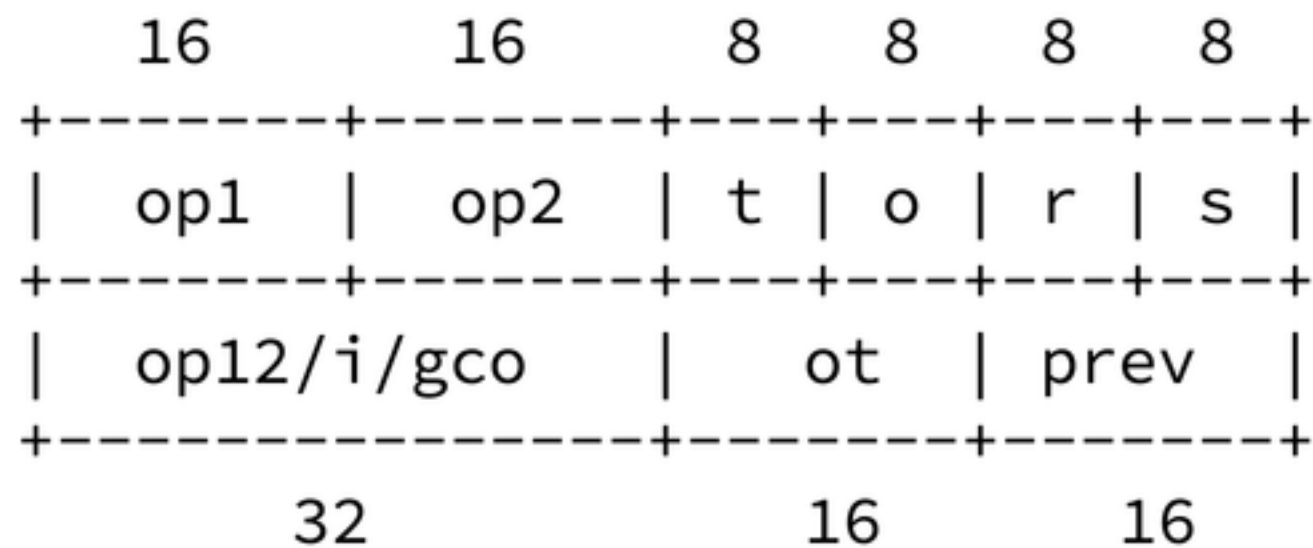
```

```

ir := irbuf + nconsts - REF_BIAS

```

## IRIns



op1	op2	t	o	r	s
op12/i/gco		ot	prev		

**prev** is the reference to the previous instruction with the same opcode

+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	
	o	p	1		o	p	2		t		o		r		s														
+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	
	o	p	1	2	/	i	/	g	c	o		o	t		p	r	e	v											
+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	

**r/s** register allocation state

op1	op2	t	o	r	s
op12/i/gco		ot	prev		

o opcode

t type

op1	op2	t	o	r	s
op12/i/gco	ot	prev			

**op1/op2** IR references

op1	op2	t	o	r	s
op12/i/gco	ot	prev			

**i/gco** constants (32 bit)

```

/* Tagged IR references (32 bit).
**
** +-----+-----+-----+
** | irt  | flags |      ref      |
** +-----+-----+-----+
**
** The tag holds a copy of the IRType
** and speeds up IR type checks.
*/

```

```

typedef uint32_t TRef;

```

BYTECODE =====> SSA IR



```
case BC_LEN:
    if (tref_isstr(rc))
        rc = emitir(IRTIR(IR_FLOAD), rc, IRFL_STR_LEN);
    else if (!LJ_52 && tref_istab(rc))
        rc = lj_ir_call(J, IRCALL_lj_tab_len, rc);
    else
        rc = rec_mm_len(J, rc, rcv);
    break;
```

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```

emitir passes instruction  
to FOLD engine

```
LJFOLD(FLOAD SNEW IRFL_STR_LEN)
LJFOLDF(fload_str_len_snew)
{
    /* Return length passed to SNEW. */

    return fleft->op2;
}
```

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{
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    return fleft->op2;
}
// Rules hashtable generated by build
// Rules applied until fixpoint
```

FWD  
DSE  
NARROW  
ABCeLim  
CSE

DCE  
LOOP  
SPLIT  
SINK

DCE  
LOOP  
SPLIT  
SINK

```
local sum = 0
for i = 1, n do
    sum = sum + arr[i]
end
```

```
0006 TGETV    r8, r1, r7
0007 ADDVV    r3, r3, r8
0008 FORL     r4 => 0006
```

```
0006 TGETV    r8, r1, r7 ; r8 = r1[r7]
0007 ADDVV    r3, r3, r8 ; r3 = r3 + r8
0008 FORL     r4 => 0006 ; r4 = r4 + r6
                        ; if r4 <= r5 then
                        ;     r7 = r4
                        ;     jump 0006
                        ; end
```







[illegible]

[illegible]

			<i>arr</i>		<i>sum</i>	<i>(i)</i>	<i>lim</i>	<i>step</i>	<i>i</i>				
		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8			
		[	-----	-----	0004	-----	-----	0003	0001	-----	0003	-----	]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5						
⇒ 0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7			0002	LE	0001	+2147483646					
0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4						
0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1						
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size					
					0006	ABC	0005	0001					



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		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8			
		[	-----	-----	0004	-----	-----	0003	0001	-----	0003	-----	]
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0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4						
0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1						
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size					
					0006	ABC	0005	0001					
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array					
					<u>0008</u>	<u>AREF</u>	<u>0007</u>	<u>0003</u>					

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		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8			
		[	-----	-----	0004	-----	-----	0003	0001	-----	0003	0009	]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5						
⇒ 0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7		0002	LE		0001	+2147483646					
0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8		0003	SLOAD	R4							
0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1						
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size					
					0006	ABC	0005	0001					
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array					
					0008	AREF	0007	0003					
					<u>0009</u>	<u>ALOAD</u>	<u>0008</u>						

			<i>arr</i>		<i>sum</i>	<i>(i)</i>	<i>lim</i>	<i>step</i>	<i>i</i>	
		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8
	[	-----	-----	0004	-----	-----	0003	0001	-----	0003 0009 ]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5			
0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7			0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		
⇒ 0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4			
0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1			
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size		
					0006	ABC	0005	0001		
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
					0008	AREF	0007	0003		
					0009	ALOAD	0008			

				<i>arr</i>		<i>sum</i>	<i>(i)</i>	<i>lim</i>	<i>step</i>	<i>i</i>	
		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	
		[	----	----	0004	----	0010	0003	0001	----	0003 0009 ]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5				
0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7			0002	LE	0001	+2147483646			
⇒ 0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4				
0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1				
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size			
					0006	ABC	0005	0001			
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array			
					0008	AREF	0007	0003			
					0009	ALOAD	0008				
					<u>0010</u>	<u>SLOAD</u>	<u>R3</u>				

			<i>arr</i>		<i>sum</i>	<i>(i)</i>	<i>lim</i>	<i>step</i>	<i>i</i>	
		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8
	[	-----	-----	0004	-----	<b>0011</b>	0003	0001	-----	0003 0009 ]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5			
0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7			0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		
⇒ 0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4			
0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1			
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size		
					0006	ABC	0005	0001		
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
					0008	AREF	0007	0003		
					0009	ALOAD	0008			
					0010	SLOAD	R3	T		
					<u>0011</u>	<u>ADD</u>	<u>0010</u>	<u>0009</u>		

			<i>arr</i>		<i>sum</i>	<i>(i)</i>	<i>lim</i>	<i>step</i>	<i>i</i>	
		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8
	[	----	----	0004	----	0011	0003	0001	----	0003 0009 ]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5			
0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7			0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		
0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4			
⇒ 0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1			
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size		
					0006	ABC	0005	0001		
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
					0008	AREF	0007	0003		
					0009	ALOAD	0008			
					0010	SLOAD	R3			
					0011	ADD	0010	0009		

			<i>arr</i>		<i>sum</i>	<i>(i)</i>	<i>lim</i>	<i>step</i>	<i>i</i>
		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7
	[	----	0004	----	0011	0012	0001	----	0012
									0009 ]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5		
0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7			0002	LE	0001	+2147483646	
0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4		
⇒ 0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1		
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size	
					0006	ABC	0005	0001	
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array	
					0008	AREF	0007	0003	
					0009	ALOAD	0008		
					0010	SLOAD	R3		
					0011	ADD	0010	0009	
					0012	ADD	0003	+1	

			<i>arr</i>		<i>sum</i>	<i>(i)</i>	<i>lim</i>	<i>step</i>	<i>i</i>				
		R0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8			
		[	----	----	0004	----	0011	0012	0001	----	0012	0009	]
0005	FORI	r4 =>	0009		0001	SLOAD	R5						
0006	TGETV	r8, r1, r7			0002	LE	0001	+2147483646					
0007	ADDVV	r3, r3, r8			0003	SLOAD	R4						
⇒ 0008	FORL	r4 =>	0006		0004	SLOAD	R1						
					0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.size					
					0006	ABC	0005	0001					
					0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array					
					0008	AREF	0007	0003					
					0009	ALOAD	0008						
					0010	SLOAD	R3						
					0011	ADD	0010	0009					
					0012	ADD	0003	+1					
					<u>0013</u>	<u>LE</u>	<u>0012</u>	<u>0001</u>					

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0001 > int SLOAD #6 CRI
0002 > int LE 0001 +2147483646
0003 int SLOAD #5 CI
0004 > tab SLOAD #2 T
0005 int FLOAD 0004 tab.ysize
0006 > p32 ABC 0005 0001
0007 p32 FLOAD 0004 tab.array
0008 p32 AREF 0007 0003
0009 > num ALOAD 0008
0010 > num SLOAD #4 T
0011 + num ADD 0010 0009
0012 + int ADD 0003 +1
0013 > int LE 0012 0001
.... SNAP #2 [ - - - - 0011 0012 0001 - 0012 ]

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0001 > int SLOAD #6 CRI
0002 > int LE 0001 +2147483646
0003 int SLOAD #5 CI
0004 > tab SLOAD #2 T
0005 int FLOAD 0004 tab.ysize
0006 > p32 ABC 0005 0001
0007 p32 FLOAD 0004 tab.array
0008 p32 AREF 0007 0003
0009 > num ALOAD 0008
0010 > num SLOAD #4 T
0011 + num ADD 0010 0009
0012 + int ADD 0003 +1
0013 > int LE 0012 0001
.... SNAP #2 [ - - - - 0011 0012 0001 - 0012 ]

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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI	
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646	
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI	
0004	SLOAD	#2	T	
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize	
0006	ABC	0005	0001	
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array	
0008	AREF	0007	0003	
0009	ALOAD	0008		
0010	SLOAD	#4	T	
0011	ADD	0010	0009	
0012	ADD	0003	+1	
0013	LE	0012	0001	
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			0011	0012
			0001	----
				0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI	
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646	
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI	
0004	SLOAD	#2	T	
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize	
0006	ABC	0005	0001	
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array	
0008	AREF	0007	0003	
0009	ALOAD	0008		
0010	SLOAD	#4	T	
0011	ADD	0010	0009	
0012	ADD	0003	+1	
0013	LE	0012	0001	
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			0001	0012
			----	]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI	==> 0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646	
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI	
0004	SLOAD	#2	T	
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize	
0006	ABC	0005	0001	
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array	
0008	AREF	0007	0003	
0009	ALOAD	0008		
0010	SLOAD	#4	T	
0011	ADD	0010	0009	
0012	ADD	0003	+1	
0013	LE	0012	0001	
....	SNAP	[	----	0011 0012 0001 ---- 0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		
0006	ABC	0005	0001		
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0008	AREF	0007	0003		
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
....	SNAP	[	----	----	0011 0012 0001 ---- 0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001		
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		==>	LE	[0001] +2147483646
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI				
0004	SLOAD	#2	T				
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize				
0006	ABC	0005	0001				
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array				
0008	AREF	0007	0003				
0009	ALOAD	0008					
0010	SLOAD	#4	T				
0011	ADD	0010	0009				
0012	ADD	0003	+1				
0013	LE	0012	0001				
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			----				]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		==>	LE	0001	+2147483646
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI					
0004	SLOAD	#2	T					
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize					
0006	ABC	0005	0001					
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array					
0008	AREF	0007	0003					
0009	ALOAD	0008						
0010	SLOAD	#4	T					
0011	ADD	0010	0009					
0012	ADD	0003	+1					
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		
0006	ABC	0005	0001		
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
0008	AREF	0007	0003		
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
....	SNAP	[	----		0011 0012 0001 ---- 0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002
<b>0003</b>	<b>SLOAD</b>	<b>#5</b>	<b>CI</b>		<b>0012</b>
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		
0006	ABC	0005	0001		
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
0008	AREF	0007	0003		
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012
<b>0004</b>	<b>SLOAD</b>	<b>#2</b>	<b>T</b>		<b>0004</b>
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		
0006	ABC	0005	0001		
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
0008	AREF	0007	0003		
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
....	SNAP	[	----	----	0011 0012 0001 ---- 0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001	
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002	
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012	
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004	
<b>0005</b>	<b>FLOAD</b>	<b>0004</b>	<b>tab.asize</b>		<b>==&gt; FLOAD</b>	<b>0004 tab.asize</b>
0006	ABC	0005	0001			
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array			
0008	AREF	0007	0003			
0009	ALOAD	0008				
0010	SLOAD	#4	T			
0011	ADD	0010	0009			
0012	ADD	0003	+1			
0013	LE	0012	0001			
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004
<b>0005</b>	<b>FLOAD</b>	<b>0004</b>	<b>tab.asize</b>		<b>0005</b>
0006	ABC	0005	0001		
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
0008	AREF	0007	0003		
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
....	SNAP	[	----		0011 0012 0001 ---- 0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
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0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array					
0008	AREF	0007	0003					
0009	ALOAD	0008						
0010	SLOAD	#4	T					
0011	ADD	0010	0009					
0012	ADD	0003	+1					
0013	LE	0012	0001					
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005
<b>0006 ABC</b>		<b>0005</b>	<b>0001</b>		<b>0006</b>
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		
0008	AREF	0007	0003		
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
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0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006
<b>0007</b>	<b>FLOAD</b>	<b>0004</b>	<b>tab.array</b>		<b>0007</b>
0008	AREF	0007	0003		
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007
<b>0008</b>	<b>AREF</b>	<b>0007</b>	<b>0003</b>		<b>==&gt; AREF [0007][0003]</b>
0009	ALOAD	0008			
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		
0012	ADD	0003	+1		
0013	LE	0012	0001		
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007			
<b>0008</b>	<b>AREF</b>	<b>0007</b>	<b>0003</b>		<b>==&gt;</b>	<b>AREF</b>	<b>0007</b>	<b>0012</b>
0009	ALOAD	0008						
0010	SLOAD	#4	T					
0011	ADD	0010	0009					
0012	ADD	0003	+1					
0013	LE	0012	0001					
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			----					0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
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0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
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0009	ALOAD	0008						
0010	SLOAD	#4	T					
0011	ADD	0010	0009					
0012	ADD	0003	+1					
0013	LE	0012	0001					
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0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007			
0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007	0012
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0010	SLOAD	#4	T					
0011	ADD	0010	0009					
0012	ADD	0003	+1					
0013	LE	0012	0001					
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001						
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002						
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012						
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004						
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005						
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0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007						
0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007	0012			
0009	ALOAD	0008			0016	ALOAD	0015				
<b>0010</b>	<b>SLOAD</b>	<b>#4</b>	<b>T</b>		<b>0011</b>						
0011	ADD	0010	0009								
0012	ADD	0003	+1								
0013	LE	0012	0001								
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0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007			
0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007	0012
0009	ALOAD	0008			0016	ALOAD	0015	
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		0011			
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0012	ADD	0003	+1					
0013	LE	0012	0001					
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							0001	----
								0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
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0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007	0012
0009	ALOAD	0008			0016	ALOAD	0015	
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		0011			
0011	ADD	0010	0009		0017	ADD	0011	0016
<b>0012</b>	<b>ADD</b>	<b>0003</b>	<b>+1</b>		<b>0018</b>	<b>ADD</b>	<b>0012</b>	<b>+1</b>
0013	LE	0012	0001					
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							0001	----
								0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007			
0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007	0012
0009	ALOAD	0008			0016	ALOAD	0015	
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		0011			
0011	ADD	0010	0009		0017	ADD	0011	0016
0012	ADD	0003	+1		0018	ADD	0012	+1
<b>0013</b>	<b>LE</b>	<b>0012</b>	<b>0001</b>		<b>0019</b>	<b>LE</b>	<b>0018</b>	<b>0001</b>
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							0001	----
								0012 ]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007			
0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007	0012
0009	ALOAD	0008			0016	ALOAD	0015	
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		0011			
0011	ADD	0010	0009		0017	ADD	0011	0016
0012	ADD	0003	+1		0018	ADD	0012	+1
0013	LE	0012	0001		0019	LE	0018	0001
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			----					0012
								]

0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001			
0002	LE	0001	+2147483646		0002			
0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012			
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004			
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005			
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006			
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007			
0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007	0012
0009	ALOAD	0008			0016	ALOAD	0015	
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		0011			
0011	ADD	0010	0009		0017	ADD	0011	0016
0012	ADD	0003	+1		0018	ADD	0012	+1
0013	LE	0012	0001		0019	LE	0018	0001
....	SNAP	[	-----		0011	0012	0001	----- 0012 ]
....	SNAP	[	-----		0017	0018	0001	----- 0018 ]



0001	SLOAD	#6	CRI		0001		
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0003	SLOAD	#5	CI		0012		
0004	SLOAD	#2	T		0004		
0005	FLOAD	0004	tab.asize		0005		
0006	ABC	0005	0001		0006		
0007	FLOAD	0004	tab.array		0007		
0008	AREF	0007	0003		0015	AREF	0007 0012
0009	ALOAD	0008			0016	ALOAD	0015
0010	SLOAD	#4	T		0011		
0011	ADD	0010	0009		0017	ADD	0011 0016
0012	ADD	0003	+1		0018	ADD	0012 +1
0013	LE	0012	0001		0019	LE	0018 0001
					0020	PHI	0012 0018
					0021	PHI	0011 0017

```
LJFOLD(FLOAD SNEW IRFL_STR_LEN)
LJFOLDF(fload_str_len_snew)
{
    /* Return length passed to SNEW. */

    return fleft->op2;
}
```

```
LJFOLD(FLOAD SNEW IRFL_STR_LEN)
LJFOLDF(fload_str_len_snew)
{
    /* Return length passed to SNEW. */
    /* What if fleft is not invariant? */
    return fleft->op2;
}
```

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LJFOLD(FLOAD SNEW IRFL_STR_LEN)
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```

DCE  
LOOP  
SPLIT  
SINK

assemble

```
asm_guardcc(as, CC_E);  
emit_rr(as, XO_TEST, RID_RET, RID_RET);
```

```
asm_guardcc(as, CC_E);  
emit_rr(as, XO_TEST, RID_RET, RID_RET);  
/* looks a bit strange? */
```

```
asm_guardcc(as, CC_E);  
emit_rr(as, XO_TEST, RID_RET, RID_RET);  
/* assembled backwards! */  
/* test rax, rax; je ... */
```

# linear scan

**THE END**



tab.fld

0003	int	FLOAD	0002	tab.hmask
0004	int	EQ	0003	XXXX
0005	p32	FLOAD	0002	tab.node
0006	p32	HREFK	0005	"fld" @YYYY
0007	num	HLOAD	0006	

```
cmp dword [rdx+0x1c], XXXX
jnz ->0
mov ecx, [rdx+0x14] ; tab.node
mov rdi, 0xfffffffffb00052de0 ; "fld"
cmp rdi, [rcx+YYYY]
jnz ->0
lea eax, [rcx+0x18]
cmp dword [rax+0x4], 0xfffeffff
jnb ->0 ; is num?
```

OOP?

```
local M = {}  
function M:getFld()  
    return self.fld  
end
```

```
local s = setmetatable({fld = 1},  
                        {__index = M})  
  
local sum = 0  
for i = 0, 100 do  
    sum = sum + s:getFld()  
end
```

```

0003      p32 HREF      0002  "getFld"
0004 >   p32 EQ        0003  [0x00042458]
0005      tab FLOAD     0002  tab.meta
0006 >   tab NE        0005  NULL
0007      int FLOAD     0005  tab.hmask
0008 >   int EQ        0007  +1
0009      p32 FLOAD     0005  tab.node
0010 >   p32 HREFK     0009  "__index" @1
0011 >   tab HLOAD     0010
0012      int FLOAD     0011  tab.hmask
0013 >   int EQ        0012  +1
0014      p32 FLOAD     0011  tab.node
0015 >   p32 HREFK     0014  "getFld" @0
0016 >   fun HLOAD     0015
0017 >   fun EQ        0016  y.lua:4
... fld load here ...

```

0003		p32 HREF	0002	"getFld"
0004	>	p32 EQ	0003	[0x00042458]
0005		tab FLOAD	0002	tab.meta
0006	>	tab NE	0005	NULL
0007		int FLOAD	0005	tab.hmask
0008	>	int EQ	0007	+1
0009		p32 FLOAD	0005	tab.node
0010	>	p32 HREFK	0009	"__index" @1
0011	>	tab HLOAD	0010	
0012		int FLOAD	0011	tab.hmask
0013	>	int EQ	0012	+1
0014		p32 FLOAD	0011	tab.node
0015	>	p32 HREFK	0014	"getFld" @0
0016	>	fun HLOAD	0015	
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... fld load here ...				

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0005		<b>tab FLOAD</b>	0002	<b>tab.meta</b>
0006	>	<b>tab NE</b>	0005	<b>NULL</b>
0007		<b>int FLOAD</b>	0005	<b>tab.hmask</b>
0008	>	<b>int EQ</b>	0007	<b>+1</b>
0009		<b>p32 FLOAD</b>	0005	<b>tab.node</b>
0010	>	<b>p32 HREFK</b>	0009	<b>"__index" @1</b>
0011	>	<b>tab HLOAD</b>	0010	
0012		int FLOAD	0011	tab.hmask
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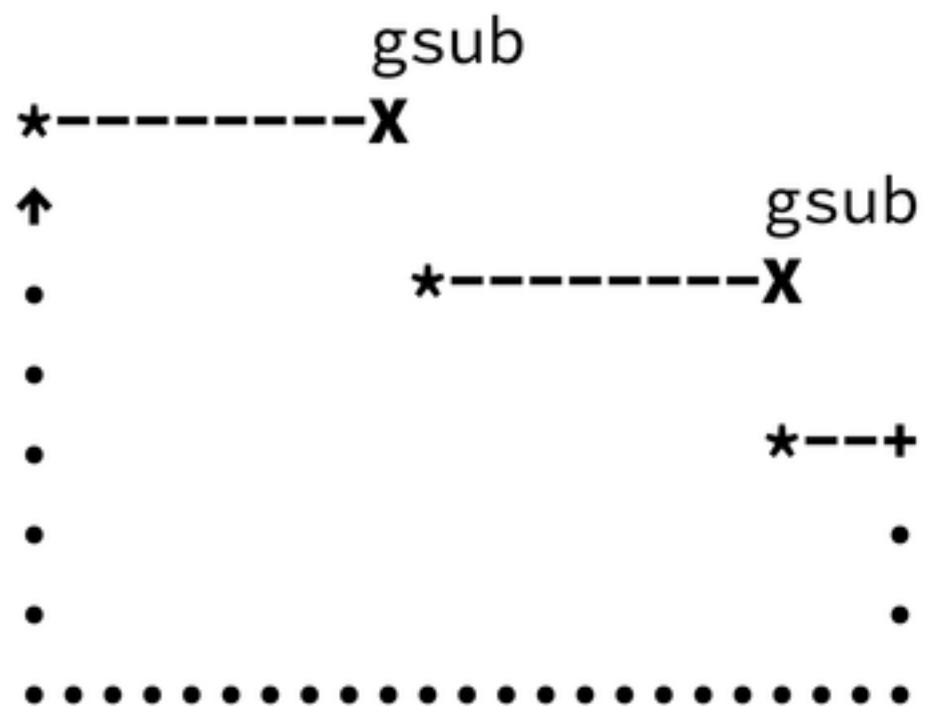
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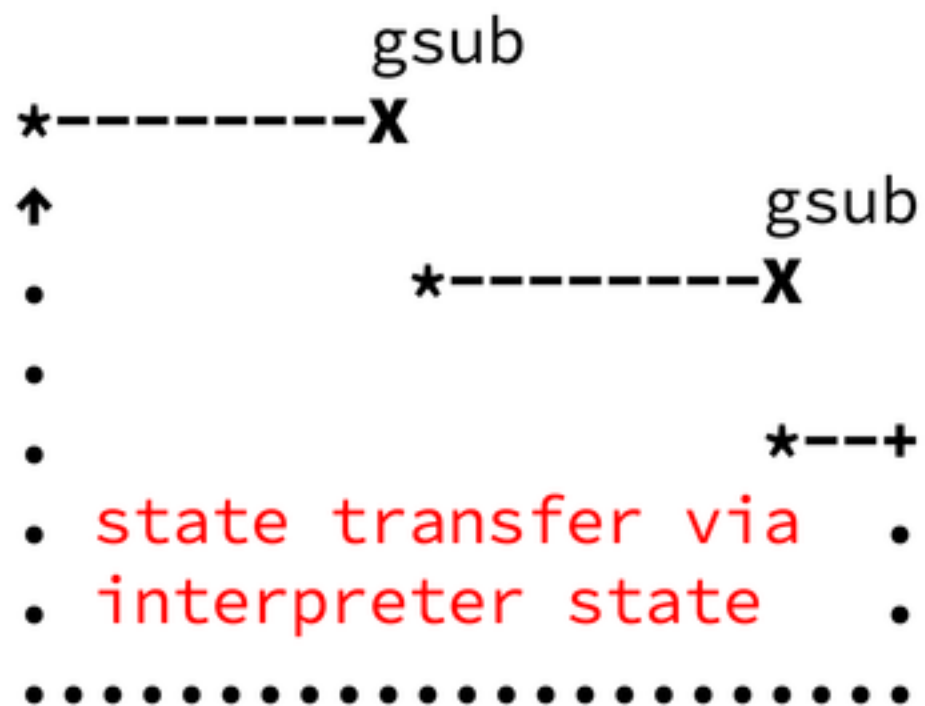
problematic if not  
invariant

# traces are not reentrant

[can't call lua\_CFunction & stay on trace]  
[though LJ2.1 has *stitching*]

```
local str = "abcd"
local sum = 0
for i = 0, 100 do
    str = str:gsub('a', 'z')    -- C func
        :gsub('z', 'a')    -- C func
end
```





builtin library?

# builtin library?

[need to record manually]

[LJ2.1 has LJLIB\_LUA]

```
LJLIB_LUA(table_remove) /*  
    function(t, pos)  
        CHECK_tab(t)  
        local len = #t  
        if pos == nil then  
            if len ~= 0 then  
                local old = t[len]  
                t[len] = nil  
                return old  
            end  
        else  
            -- ...  
        end  
    end  
end  
*/
```

FFI

```
ffi.cdef [[
typedef struct { int32_t x, y; } S;
double f(S* p, size_t n);
]]
local S = ffi.typeof('S')

local arr = ffi.new('S[?]', 2)
arr[0] = S(1, 2)
arr[1] = S(3, 4)
ffi.C.f(arr, 2)
```

# ffi objects have frozen metatables

[see issue #41 for normal tables]

```
ffi.cdef[[
typedef struct { int32_t x, y; } S;
]]
local M = {}
function M:getX() return self.x end
local S = ffi.metatype('S', {__index=M})
local s = S(1,2)

local sum = 0
for i = 0, 100 do
    sum = sum + s:getX()
end
```

0003	u16	<b>FLOAD</b>	0002	cdata.ctypeid
0004	>	int	<b>EQ</b>	0003
0005		p64	<b>ADD</b>	0002
0006		int	<b>XLOAD</b>	0005

no table probing!

side-traces

# side-traces

[not all values are carried inside]

[rejoins at the trace entry]

... one more thing

```
local function faster(arr, n)
  local sum = 0
  for i = 1, n do
    sum = sum + arr[i]
  end
  return sum
end
```

```
local function slower(arr, n)
  local sum, i = 0, 1
  while i <= n do
    sum = sum + arr[i]
    i = i + 1
  end
  return sum
end
```

# What I learned from LuaJIT

ELEGANCE IS A  
DOUBLE-EDGED  
SWORD

DO NOT FEAR  
THE PREPROCESSING

USERS DON'T  
UNDERSTAND  
WHAT IS FAST

PERFORMANCE  
IMPLICATIONS OF  
TRACING ARE  
NONTRIVIAL

# SEARCH FOR THE BALANCE

MAKE YOUR  
OWN RULES

**THANK YOU!**